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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: James A. Thompson
SHUJI OZAWA	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2624
Application No.: 09/668,459	)	
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Filed: September 25, 2000	)	
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING	)	
APPARATUS AND METHOD	:	February 15, 2005

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified application,  
as follows: